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Thank you. I appreciate the responses and clarity on the 10/3 agenda.

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Yes, we are waiting for memo. And we have most results but not OAR – hoping to get that ASAP.

Other responses below...

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Hi,

We haven't connected on manganese and the path forward. I've seen that we have received comments from the Agency review, and that we have an Agency-wide call scheduled for 10/3. We should take Mn off the agenda. Even if we have the memo results by then we won't be ready to share across the agency

Are we waiting on the memo results before moving ahead? If so, then should we put off the Agency-wide call? Yes and yes (or at least the Mn topic on the Oct 3rd call)

If we are not waiting, I do not think that the team would be able to process all the comments and be ready to discuss them on 10/3. What then, would we discuss on the call? Perhaps just noting that the review was concluded and that we got comments from the following Offices? We had a good "quiet" conversation with Marian (Tina, me, Emma, Marian) and we think there might be a way to modularize the assessment in a way that moves it forward BUT we really need to see the memo results (including OAR input) to better understand the specific direction

In the current state of IRIS, do we need to formally respond to the comments with a document? Or do we just take them under advisement and make any changes as appropriate? Correct, not a formal response to comment. We would use briefings and targeted engagement to deal with substantive comments.

Please let us know.

Thanks!

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